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SUBJECT: TEXT OF PRESS BRIEFING, APRIL 13, REGARDING
ALLEGED CIA ACTIVITY IN INDIA

REF: STATE 94511

1. THE FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS BRIEFING ON APRIL 13
REGARDING ALLEGED CIA ACTIVITY IN INDIA; BEGIN TEXT:

Q - HAS THERE BEEN ANY PROTEST FROM INDIA ABOUT THE
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REPORTS OF A LOST NUCLEAR DEVICE IN THE HIMALAYAS?

A - I THINK WE HAVE HAD COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE INDIAN
GOVERNMENT. I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO CHARACTERIZE THEM
FOR YOU. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT IT COULD BE TERMED A
"PROTEST".

Q - HOW ABOUT THE SUBSTANCE OF THE STORY ITSELF --
THAT, IN FACT, A NUCLEAR DEVICE WAS LOST UP THERE 13
YEARS AGO?

A - I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT FOR YOU.

Q - YOU MEAN IT'S A NO COMMENT?

A - WE'RE CHECKING INTO IT, BUT I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING.

Q - ...ON THE QUESTION OF THIS LOST NUCLEAR DEVICE.
WHAT IS THE NATURE OF YOUR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE INDIAN
GOVERNMENT? AND COULD WE ALSO BE INFORMED WHEN YOU HAVE
REPLIED TO THEM ON THIS MATTER?

A - LET ME SAY THAT I DID SAY THAT WE WERE CHECKING
INTO THE MATTER.

Q - I REALIZE THAT.

A - I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO GIVE YOU AN ANSWER NOW,
AND I AM ALSO NOT IN A POSITION TO DETAIL FOR YOU THE
NATURE OF OUR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT.
END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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